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TOWNS AND SETTLEMENTS COMPLETELY DESTROYED—A WHOLE TOWNSHIP LAID BARE—SUFFERING AMONG THE INHABITANTS.
By Telegraph to THE REPUBLICAN.
Green Bay, Wis., Aug. 7. For many weeks

past this section of outlying country has been subjected to a severe drought, which has caused much apprehension in the minds of the residents, as forest and prairie fires have prevailed almost incessantly. The conflagrations, which have destroyed a great deal of valuable timber, reached their height in a whirlwind flame a few miles east of this place. Township of Eaton, which is thickly settled with a farming community, was cleanly swept

by the destructive element, which consumed all its houses, outbuildings, fences and timberland. In the vicinity of Woodruff's mills during burning in the past two weeks the forests have been burning with great severity, threatening the adjoining settlements. On Saturday night a small fire started at the mill, and with lightning-like rapidity, cut brand from the mill. The streaks were thrown, broadcast from the burning wind. On Sunday morning there was a statement of the flames, but the wind had moderated. The flames sprung up again, however, and all efforts to stay them were unavailing. Of what in the morning had been a thriving town before many hours had passed there were no more than three houses left standing. Women and children barely escaped.

It is reported very circumstantially that two entire families were destroyed by fire and three others are missing. There was a settlement of seventeen houses in what is known as "Benjamin's," and there is not one of them left. All the cattle are freed from their confines, and are roaming through the fields, wild with terror, and are sure of destruction if they take shelter in the woods near at hand. Hundreds of dead bodies lie scattered around. Large parties of men from this city have gone to the place, and as soon as they can return something will be done to relieve the suffering stricken people for the present. Mass

ITEMS FROM NEW YORK.

The body of Cassella Cooper was interred yesterday in a vault at Greenwood cemetery, where it will remain until the precise location of the burial of his father and sister in Greenwood can be discovered, when the remains will be interred.

In the suit of Catherine Necta Ennie More Hickman, the Countess Heinrich, against the estate of Daniel Marley deceased, Judge Van Brunt rendered an opinion yesterday, covering sixty-eight pages of legal opinion, dismissing the complaint. The judge styled her a most accomplished knave, and she averred that she had been swindled by Marley.

widow living at 209 Lexington avenue. It would be assumed was Thomas Henry Clark, of No. 9 East Ninth street. The lady was struck down in the vestibule of her house with a hatchet. She was struck repeatedly on the head, and also on the right arm in trying to ward off the blows. She was in critical condition last night. Clark escaped. It is believed by the officers that he was insane, and ran into the East river, drowning himself. No trace of him has been found.

ILLINOIS ORGANIZING MILITIA.
CHICAGO, ILL., Aug. 7.—Since the inauguration of the military organizations at present existing in the State of Illinois was proven during the recent strike disturbances Gov. Cullum has addressed the people upon the subject of the formation of a militia.

throughout the State. After the close of the war some of the larger cities and towns disband their military organizations, and have ever since failed to take any action in regard to the arm. It is now thought that the State militia will be greatly increased, and that in the case of almost any emergency there will be a sufficient number of troops to preserve order without requiring the service of United States soldiers.

THE ROCHESTER RACES
ROCHESTER, N. Y., Aug. 7.—This was the first day of the races at the Rochester course. The attendance was large and the track in excellent condition. The first race was for a purse of \$25 for 2:30 class, which was won by Harris in the straight heats, Sheridan second, Arnold third. Time, 2:25, 2:34, 2:34. The second race was

DRUNK AS A BOILED OWL.
NEW YORK, Aug. 6.—Over three thousand people attended the picnic of the Journeymen

Tallent's Protective and Benevolent Union in Jon Wood's yard yesterday. Rev. Joseph Blanchard, colored, having been found asleep on a bench in Washington park on Sunday was taken to the Police yesterday. The officer said he found him asleep as he dozed off. The prisoner said he had been in church and taken a little too much communion wine. He lacked ten dollars to pay the required fine, and was committed.

THE PUGILIST WEEDEN DYING.
TRENTON, N. J., Aug. 7.—Weeden, the pugilist who killed his competitor in a prize-fight in Salem county, N. J., nearly a year ago, and who was soon afterwards arrested, tried and convicted and sentenced to a term in the State prison at this place, is now dangerously ill, and it is not probable that he will survive.

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THE INTERNATIONAL RIFLE MATCH
New York, Aug. 7.—At a meeting of the National Rifle Association it was resolved that the international rifle match will be shot on the 10th and 11th of September at Creedmoor.

RECRUITING IN PHILADELPHIA.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 7.—One hundred recruits, all veterans, are now being raised in this city to fill up the ranks of the 20th regiment, now serving in the Wyoming valley.

JAY GOULD FINED.

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—Among forty-eight jurors who were summoned but did not appear, was Jay Gould.

A STRIKER HELD FOR TRIAL.
JERSEY CITY, Aug. 7.—Justice Davis, of Jersey City, to-day decided to hold Frank McClary, the Central railroad striker, for the grand jury. McClary gave bail in \$2,000 to appear for trial.

SOMETHING LIKE A FUNERAL.
NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—A funeral procession while passing up Fulton street yesterday, had before a solemn and larger bear was served to all mourners in the carriages.

STRIKERS IN SCOTLAND.
GLASGOW, Aug. 8.—The Clyde ship, bu

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Edward D. Cook has been appointed receiver of the Protective Life Insurance Company of Chicago with bonds of \$250,000.

John W. S. Roberts, alias Capt. G. Roberts,

Ex-City Collector Frank G. Otis, of Meriden Conn., is a defaulter in the sum of \$3,553.22. He has no bondsmen and no property, and the Court instructed the finance committee to institute criminal proceedings against him for embezzlement.

Great Aaron, shoe manufacturer, New York City, was arrested by the sheriff on the complaint of Donillo M. Castillo, and held in \$1,000 bail. Castillo advertised he would pay \$1,000 for a business situation. Aaron accepted the offer and gave the money, but afterwards dismissed him and retained the money.

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